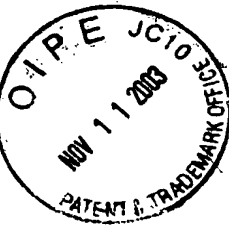


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submit my request on behalf of the Partners of Pennie & Edmonds LLP for permission to withdraw as attorneys of record for David Solow-Cordero, Geetha Shankar, Juliet V. Spencer, and Charles Gluchowski in the above-identified patent application.

This request is made because the Applicant and the attorneys of record have mutually agreed to terminate the representation of the Applicant by the attorneys of record.

Therefore, the Applicant knowingly and freely assents to termination of the employment of the attorneys of record.

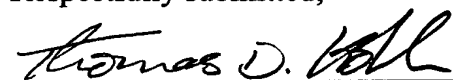
Copies of all papers and property in our files concerning the prosecution of the involved application, to which the client is entitled under 37 C.F.R. § 10.40(a), have been delivered to Applicants David Solow-Cordero, Geetha Shankar, Juliet V. Spencer, and Charles Gluchowski.

Based on the foregoing, it is requested that permission to withdraw as attorneys of record be granted and that all future correspondence regarding this patent be sent to the following address:

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